

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification of this patent application as follows:

Page 2, first full paragraph:

Another prior proposal is one in which a knife is provided with measuring marks along its blade. The distance between a mark on the blade and the tip of the blade indicates a particular quantity of material. The blade is laid on top of the butter block with a mark aligned with the edge of the block. Then, the blade is rotated to a vertical position, plunged downwardly into the block and then rotated downwardly to make a cut at the desired location. Then the knife is removed and another cut is made to sever the desired quantity from the block. This is relatively cumbersome and difficult to use.

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The cutter 10 is shown in Figures 2 and 3 positioned with its blade on top of a block or stick of butter 24. Preferably, as shown in Figure 2, the cutting edge 16 is at least as long as the width "W" of the butter block 24 which has a height of "H", as shown in Figure 3.

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the arrow 21 (Figure 4), completely through the block 24 until it reaches the surface 30 on which the butter block rests.

Thus, as it is shown in Figure 4, the butter block is separated into two different pieces, one having a length "L2" and the other a length "L1". The volume of the length L1 is approximately five tablespoons.

Then, because the blade 12 of the cutter is relatively broad, if desired, it can be used in the manner of a spatula to insert under the butter piece L1 to move it to another location, such as into a cooking pot or mixing bowl, etc.